

BRUNSWICK RESIDENT SURVEY - SEPT 1991 RESULTS

1. Why residents chose Brunswick as their home.

Reason	Number	%
Affordable place to live	56	34%
Born and raised in Brunswick	47	28%
Small town atmosphere	31	19%
Location/accessibility	22	13%
MARC train	20	12%
Rural atmosphere	10	6%
Beauty, natural features of the area	8	5%

Other reasons: location of family, FMHA mortgage, good place to raise a family, quality of schools and other services, job relocation, available housing, historic character.

2. Do you feel that the Town of Brunswick efficiently serves the needs of the residents?

	Number	%
Yes	79	47%
No	62	37%
Yes and No	8	5%
No response	18	11%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

3. Would you support raising taxes to provide additional town services?

	Number	%
Yes	39	23%
No	111	67%
Yes and no, it depends	12	7%
No response	5	3%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

4. Are streets in town adequately paved and maintained?

	Number	%
Adequate	66	40%
Inadequate	79	47%
No response	22	13%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

5. Are the streets in town wide enough?

	Number	%
Wide enough	93	56%
Some/all not wide enough	53	32%
No response	21	12%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

6. Is street lighting adequate?

	Number	%
Yes	116	69%
No	20	12%
No response	31	19%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

7. Are street name signs adequate?

	Number	%
Yes	104	62%
No	37	22%
No response	26	16%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

8. Are there intersections in town that need traffic control signs or stop lights?

	Number	%
Yes	82	49%
No	58	35%
No response	27	16%
	<u>167</u>	<u>100%</u>

12A. Comments on Water Service

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	16	10%
OK/Adequate/Fine	44	26%
Fair/Poor/Bad	6	4%
Too expensive/Rates too high	40	24%
Problems with pressure	12	7%
Problems with sediment	7	4%
Bad or funny taste	6	4%
Needs to be flouridated	4	2%
To much chlorine	4	2%
No response	36	22%

12B. Comments to Sewer Service

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	16	10%
OK/Adequate/Fine	58	35%
Fair/Poor/Bad	2	1%
Too expensive/Rates too high	20	12%
No response	57	34%

12C. Comments on Police

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	22	13%
OK/Adequate/Fine	43	26%
Fair/Poor/Bad	4	2%
Too many employees	7	4%
Like the new chief	10	6%
Too much equipment	4	2%
Unfriendly	4	2%
Need more foot patrols	6	4%
No response	41	25%

12D. Comments on Parks and Recreation

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	22	13%
OK/Adequate/Fine	40	24%
Fair/Poor/Bad	4	2%
Need more youth/children's program	13	8%
More facilities needed	18	11%
No response	50	30%

12E. Comments on Public Works

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	24	14%
OK/Adequate/Fine	44	26%
Fair/Poor/Bad	7	4%
Good snow removal	8	5%
Snow removal needs to be improved	6	4%
Other comments re: snow removal	23	14%
No response	51	31%

12F. Comments on Refuse Pick-Up

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	37	22%
OK/Adequate/Fine	60	36%
Fair/Poor/Bad	1	1%
Need more than one pick-up/week	6	4%
Sloppy	4	2%
No response	46	28%

12G. Comments on Recycling Facility

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	38	23%
OK/Adequate/Fine	45	27%
Fair/Poor/Bad	2	1%
Need bins for green/brown glass	5	3%
Not familiar with facility	4	2%
Need curbside pick-up	5	3%
No response	56	34%

12H. Comments on Swimming Pool

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	29	17%
OK/Adequate/Fine	41	25%
Fair/Poor/Bad	1	1%
Needs to be expanded or add a new pool	8	5%
No response	69	41%

12I. Comments on Camps ITE

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	25	15%
OK/Adequate/Fine	33	20%
Fair/Poor/Bad	0	0%
No response	85	51%

12J. Comments on Fire Service

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	39	23%
OK/Adequate/Fine	33	29%
Fair/Poor/Bad	0	0%
Problems with members - image, professionalism, etc.	12	7%
Siren too noisy	5	3%
No response	60	36%

12K. Comments on Ambulance Service

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	53	32%
OK/Adequate/Fine	41	25%
Fair/Poor/Bad	0	0%
No response	63	38%

12L. Comments on Sr. Citizen Services

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	26	16%
OK/Adequate/Fine	24	14%
Fair/Poor/Bad	1	1%
No response	100	60%

12N. Recreational Facilities Used by Members of Respondent's Household

	Number	%
City Park	89	53%
Swimming Pool	79	47%
Tennis Courts	36	22%
Kim Weddle Park	36	22%
Campsite	31	19%
Basketball Courts	41	25%
Canal Park	63	38%
Ball Fields	50	30%
None	13	8%
No response	24	14%

13. For which of the following land uses should the town expand its boundaries?

	Number	%
Residential only	15	9%
Commercial only	19	11%
Industrial only	20	12%
Residential & Commercial	19	11%
Residential & Industrial	3	2%
Commercial and Industrial	17	10%
Residential, Commercial & Industrial	45	27%
None	8	5%
No response	21	13%
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14. If the town annexes land for residential use, what type of housing should be permitted?

	Number	%
Apartments	48	29%
Condominiums	31	19%
Townhouses	53	32%
Single family dwellings, lot sizes less than 1/4 acre	56	34%
Single family dwellings, lot sizes 1/4 - 1/2 acre	84	50%
Single family dwellings, lot sizes over 1/2 acre	58	35%
No response	18	11%

15. Do you think that the Brunswick area needs additional industry?

	Number	%
Yes	131	79%
No	22	13%
No response	14	8%
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What type of industries?

	Number	%
Service-oriented businesses	95	57%
Wholesale/warehouse	65	39%
Light manufacturing	90	54%
Heavy manufacturing	32	19%
No response	32	19%

16. What kind of new businesses would you like to see in Brunswick?

	Number	%
Retail businesses	127	76%
Service establishments	65	39%
Restaurants, eating establishments	91	54%
Professional offices	65	39%
Hotel/Motel	50	30%
Sports facilities	106	63%
Entertainment	114	68%
No new businesses needed	2	1%
No response	1	1%

	Number	%
Household Type		
Single person households	32	19%
Households including children 19 years and under	75	45%
Adult households	57	34%
No response	3	2%
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	Number	%
17. Age group of adults in household		
Age 20-34	36	21%
Age 35-64	63	38%
Age 65 and over	23	14%
Mixed age group	42	25%
No response	3	2%
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18. Work location of household members.

	Number	%
Frederick County	90	54%
Brunswick area	35	21%
Frederick City	32	19%
Other Frederick County	23	14%
Montgomery County	51	31%
Washington, D.C.	38	23%
Northern Virginia	30	18%
Washington County	6	4%
West Virginia	4	2%
Baltimore	2	1%
Prince Georges County	1	1%
Retired/Unemployed	25	15%
No response	7	4%

19. Means of travel to work.

	Number	%
Private vehicle	103	62%
MARC train	36	22%
Car/Van Pool	31	19%
Retired/Unemployed	10	6%
No response	15	9%

20. How do your children travel to school?

	Number	%
School bus	36	22%
Private vehicle	25	15%
Walk	22	13%
Ride bicycle	0	0%
No children in school	71	43%
No response	31	19%

21. Over the last five years, would you say that Brunswick has become a better place to live?

	Number	%
Yes	78	47%
No	57	34%
Yes & No	3	2%
No response	<u>29</u>	<u>17%</u>
	167	100%

22. Overall, how do you rate Brunswick as a place to live?

	Number	%
Excellent/Very Good/Good	66	40%
OK/Fine	34	20%
Fair/Poor/Terrible	25	15%
Nice Community	11	7%
Small, Rural	18	11%
Expensive	11	7%
Safe/Low Crime	11	7%
Friendly, nice people	17	10%
Affordable	5	3%
Quiet	9	5%
Good schools	6	4%
No response	15	9%

24. Looking ahead over the next five years, do you think Brunswick will become a better place to live?

	Number	%
Yes	104	62%
No	25	15%
Don't know	18	11%
No response	20	12%
	<hr/> 167	100%

25. Are you interested in volunteering to make Brunswick a better place to live?

	Number	%
Yes	60	36%
No	59	35%
No response	42	25%
Already involved	6	4%
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In which areas?		
Town Government	25	15%
Recreation	22	13%
Tourism	17	10%

26. Do you favor growth in the Brunswick area?

	Number	%
Yes	110	66%
No	37	22%
No response	20	12%

**Resident Survey
Brunswick, Maryland**

September 1991

1. Why did you choose Brunswick as your home?
2. Do you feel that the Town of Brunswick efficiently serves the needs of the residents?
Yes No
Please explain:
3. Would you support raising taxes to provide additional Town services? Yes No
Comments:

Streets

4. Are the streets in Town adequately paved and maintained? If not, where are the problem areas?
5. Are the streets in Town wide enough? If not, which streets need widening?
6. Is street lighting adequate? Are there areas that need additional lighting? If so, where?
7. Are street name signs in Town adequate? Are additional street signs needed? If so, where?
8. Are there intersections in Town that need traffic control signs (stop or yield signs, etc.) or stop lights? If so, where?
9. Do you have any other comments regarding parking and other traffic related signs?
10. Are any new streets needed? Pedestrian paths? Bicycle paths? If so, where are they needed and why?
11. Are there parking problems in your neighborhood? If so, please explain the situation and give recommendations as to how it could be improved.

Community Services and Facilities

12. Please comment on the adequacy of the following community facilities and services. If your comment applies to a specific area of town, please specify the area.

Water

Sewer

Police

Parks/Recreation

Public Works (street maintenance, water & sewer line maintenance, snow removal, etc.)

Refuse pick-up

Recycling facilities

Swimming Pool

Campsite

Fire

Ambulance

Senior Citizen Services

Any other comments

Please indicate which recreational facilities were used by you or a member of your household within the last year:

City Park

Kim Weddle Park

Canal Park

Swimming Pool

Campsite

Ball Fields

Tennis Courts

Basketball Courts

Other (specify):

Growth and Development

13. For which of the following land uses should the Town expand its boundaries?

Residential uses

Commercial uses

Industrial uses

14. If the Town annexes land for residential use, what type of housing should be permitted?

Apartments

Condominiums

Townhouses

Single family dwellings, lot sizes less than 1/4 acre

Single family dwellings, lot sizes between 1/4 and 1/2 acre

Single family dwellings, lot sizes over 1/2 acre

15. Do you think that the Brunswick area needs additional industry? Yes No

If so, what type of industry?

Service oriented businesses

Wholesale/warehouse

Light manufacturing

Heavy manufacturing

Other (*specify*)

16. What kind of new businesses would you like to see in Brunswick?
 Retail businesses - grocery stores, clothing stores, drug stores, etc.
 Service establishments -barber shops/beauty salons, dry cleaners, auto repair, daycare, etc.
 Restaurants, eating establishments
 Professional offices - doctors, dentists, lawyers, etc.
 Hotel/motel
 Sports facilities - gym, health club, bowling alley, etc.
 Entertainment - theater, etc.
 Other (*specify*)
 No new businesses needed
17. How many in your household are in the following age groups? Please indicate number for each group.
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|----------------------|---------|
| under 5 years of age | 35-44 |
| 5-14 | 45-64 |
| 15-19 | 65-80 |
| 20-24 | over 80 |
| 25-34 | |
18. Please indicate the locations where you and other persons in your household work.
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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Brunswick area | Northern Virginia |
| Frederick City | Washington County |
| Other Frederick County | West Virginia |
| Montgomery County | Other (<i>specify</i>) |
| Washington, D.C. | |
19. How do you and other persons in your household travel-to work?
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|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Private vehicle | Car/van pool |
| MARC train | Other (<i>specify</i>) |
20. How do your children travel to school?
- | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------------|
| School bus | Private vehicle | Walk | Ride bicycle |
| Other (<i>specify</i>): | | | No children in school |
21. Over the last five years, would you say that Brunswick has become a better place to live?
- Yes No Please explain your answer.
22. What recommendations do you have for making Brunswick a better place to live? Please be specific.
23. Overall, how do you rate Brunswick as a place to live? Why?

24. Looking ahead over the next five years, do you think Brunswick will become a better place to live? Yes No
Please explain.

25. Are you interested in volunteering to make Brunswick a better place to live and work?
Yes No

If so, in which areas?

Town Government (committees)

Recreation

Tourism

Other (*specify*)

TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CALL CITY HALL AT 834-7500

26. Do you favor growth in the Brunswick area? Yes No
Please explain.

27. Please comment on any other concerns you may have on planning, development, roads, community facilities and services.

Thank you for participating in this survey. If you have any questions about the survey, call City Hall at 834-7500. Please return this form within 7 days, but no later than October 22, 2001. It can be dropped off at the following locations:

Brunswick City Hall (20 A Street) Weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Bank of Brunswick (Potomac & Maple Avenue)

Super Fresh (Shopping Center)

F&M Bank (Potomac Street or Brunswick Heights)